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In the Brief Description Of The Invention:

Column 1

Line 45 should read "and thus cleaned the blade."

Column 2

Line 5 should read "outer blade. With these instruments it happens"

Line 8 should read "The claims **1** and **4** to **6** define various alternatives of the arrange"

Lines 14 should read "be a disadvantage. The alternatives defined in claims **4** and"

Line 15 should read "**5** have a design which is comparatively simple to realise."

Line 16 should read "In the solution defined in claim **6** a hollow shaft is"

Lines 25 should read "tube in coaxial relationship (claim **7**). The improvement set"

Line 26 should read "forth in claim **8**, according to which the hollow shaft is"

Line 31 should read "(claim **10**)."

Line 43 should read "used for abrasion or cutting (claims **11** and **12**)."

Line 44 should read "the claims **12** to **14** describe various alternatives of the"

Line 49 should read "longitudinal instrument axis (claim **14**) it is preferred that"

In the Claims:

Column 4

Line 3 should read "**3**. Instrument according to claim **1**, characterized in that"

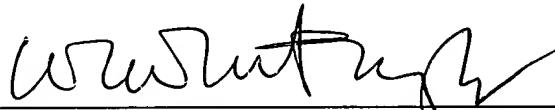
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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Column 1,

Line 45, delete "(claim 11)".

Column 2,

Line 5, delete "(claim 4)".

Line 8, replace "5 to 8" with -- 1 and 4 to 6 --.

Line 14, replace "6" with -- 4 --.

Line 15, replace "7" with -- 5 --.

Line 16, replace "8" with -- 6 --.

Line 25, replace "9" with -- 7 --.

Line 26, replace "10" with -- 8 --.

Line 31, replace "12" with -- 10 --.

Line 43, replace "14 and 15" with -- 11 and 12 --.

Line 44, replace "15 to 17" with -- 12 to 14 --.

Line 49, replace "17" with -- 14 --.

Column 4

Line 3, replace "or" with -- 1 --.

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